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SUBJECT: AMERICAN PHYSICIAN TO VISIT CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF TRAUMATOLOGY AND ORTHOPAEDICS (MOSCOW)

1. EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICE 27 JULY RECEIVED LETTER FROM DAVID A. FISCHER, M.D. DEPARTMENT OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455. FISCHER PLANS REPEAT VISIT (VIDE INFRA) TO PROFESSOR VOLKOV AT SUBJECT INSTITUTE 6-10 SEPTEMBER 1976, AND HAS SENT LETTER SO ANNOUNCING TO THE PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

2. FISCHER LETTER NOTES THAT DURING NOVEMBER 1975 VISIT, ONLY BY SCIENCE OFFICE'S "INTERVENTION...DIRECTLY WITH MINISTRY OF HEALTH WAS (HE) ABLE TO VISIT THE INSTITUTE," DESPITE HIS BELIEF BEFORE THAT TRIP THAT SOME ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN SET UP (BOTH PREVIOUS AND PLANNED TRIPS ARE THROUGH IN-TOURIST).

3. SINCE FISCHER WILL NEED AN INTERPRETER AS WELL AS ACCESS TO THE INSTITUTE, DHEW/OIH MAY WISH TO VERIFY THROUGH ITS DIRECT COMMUNICATION WITH MOH THAT ALL IS ARRANGED. MERE FACT OF QUESTION FROM DHEW/OIH WOULD DEMONSTRATE THEIR AWARENESS OF FISCHER VISIT (EVEN UNDER INTOURIST AUSPICES), AND MIGHT HELP AVOID REPITITION OF THE CONSIDERABLE SOVIET-SIDE CONFUSION FISCHER FACED HERE ON HIS LAST VISIT, CONFUSION WE WERE ABLE TO CLEAR UP ONLY WITH APPRECIABLE EFFORT. PLEASE ADVISE.

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